

## WICKED PARROT CAUSES LAW SUIT

Miss Beardsley Says It Learned to Swear While It Was Quarantined in a Bird Boarding House.

### NOW SHE ASKS DAMAGES.

It Was a Moral Fowl When Its Mistress Went to Chicago, but When She Returned Was a Sad Sinner.

Alleging that her parrot had been taught to swear and had thereby been made useless as a household pet, Miss Beardsley, who is the Boy Blue of "Babes in Toyland," began suit to-day in the City Court for \$150 damages against Robert F. Wheeler, proprietor of a bird store at No. 104 East Twenty-ninth street.

Miss Beardsley contends that the bird's language was corrupted while it was a boarder in Wheeler's establishment. It was there for four months last summer while Miss Beardsley was in Chicago. Fifty cents a week was paid for the bird's board.

When the troupe came back to town Miss Beardsley sent for her green and red parrot and it was delivered at her flat, in One Hundred and Second street. She almost instantly discovered that Sinbad's morals had undergone a sad change. The parrot evidently considered it ought to live up to its name.

Her Wickedness Shocked Her.

Miss Beardsley had hardly started telling Sinbad what lovely press notices she received in Chicago than the unsympathetic ingrate told her to go to a worse place than Chicago even.

"Why, Sinbad!" exclaimed Miss Beardsley, "your language would do violence to a one-night stand. Stop it!"

Instead of obeying, Sinbad out-broke with a spectacular line of talk which would have done credit to a janitor.

Seizing the sinner by the neck, Miss Beardsley carried him into the bathroom and turned the cold water on him. Ten minutes later, when she returned, Sinbad was swearing sooty to himself. Miss Beardsley appealed to her mother for a remedy, but the only thing Mrs. Beardsley could suggest was an axe.

Finally, in desperation, Miss Beardsley took Sinbad back to Wheeler, despite the fact that Sinbad was almost as good as a man about the place.

"I never heard the bird swear in my place," declared Mr. Wheeler. "He was a gloomy, morose bird, kept to himself, and never did more than pass the time of day with me."

Now She Wants Damages.

Miss Beardsley left her parrot with Wheeler and demanded \$150, the value of the bird. Wheeler refused to settle, so she consulted David W. Rodenbeck, an attorney in the Putnam Building, and the agreed to bring a suit.

"It is a unique question of law," said Mr. Rodenbeck to-day, "but I believe that my client has a cause of action."

It is a principle in law that the person who agrees to take care of property for a consideration must take the best possible care of the property. If you leave a horse in a stable to be boarded and the horse acquires a contagious disease, the owner of the stable is liable for damages. This looks to me like a similar case and we certainly think Mr. Wheeler is responsible for the damage done to the parrot by the change in his language.

Of course it is possible that the jury will conclude that a parrot that swears is more valuable than one that does not swear. This might be the case sometimes, but all depends on the desire of the owner of the bird. Miss Beardsley did not want a profane parrot and she regards her bird as hopelessly ruined."

BOGUS POLICEMAN GRAFTED.

Get \$5 from a Saloon-keeper and Was Arrested.

Andrew Johnson, a sailor, was arrested to-day, charged with impersonating a Central-Office detective and extorting \$5 from Ernest Kielgost, a saloon-keeper at No. 25 Hamilton avenue, Brooklyn. He was arraigned in the District Court to-day and held for trial.

The saloon-keeper hesitated for a long time after being pressed for money. He finally put a green \$5 bill in his bill and handed it to the sailor. Then he called a policeman and had the sailor arrested. The bill was found in Johnson's pocket. It is alleged.

## ACTRESS WHO ASKS DAMAGES BECAUSE HER PARROT IS WICKED.



Stella Beardsley—Babes in Toyland

## MARTHA CUTLER, AGED 101, IS DEAD

Centenarian Passes Away at Llewellyn Park—She Was Remarkably Vigorous and Had a Marvellous Memory.

A report was received to-day from East Orange that Mrs. Martha Thornton Cutler, who recently celebrated her 101st birthday at her beautiful home in Llewellyn Park, died last night.

Up to a few months ago Mrs. Cutler bore her age with wonderful vigor, showing a rare memory and an unusual continuity of thought for a centenarian.

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The funeral services for the aged woman will be held in the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. P. Stone, in Llewellyn Park. The interment will take place in Sudbury.

Worried Because Mortgage on Home Was to Be Foreclosed, Mrs. Robert White, Wife of Contractor, Ended Life.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Dec. 2.—Worried because her home was about to be taken from her on a mortgage, Mrs. Robert White, wife of a contractor, hanged herself here, her body being found suspended from a water pipe which runs along the ceiling of the cellar of her house on Sayre avenue.

White had had troubles with the labor unions for a long time, his business becoming so bad that he was compelled to mortgage his home. Several months ago he went away in an effort to do business in another field, but returned a short time ago, having met with little success. The mortgage was about to be foreclosed on the home and Mrs. White worried a great deal over it.

Mr. White was away from the house yesterday and when he returned last night he was puzzled because of the apparent absence of his wife. In searching the house for her he found her dead body hanging from a water pipe. She had stood on a soap box to tie the rope about her neck and had then kicked the box from under herself.

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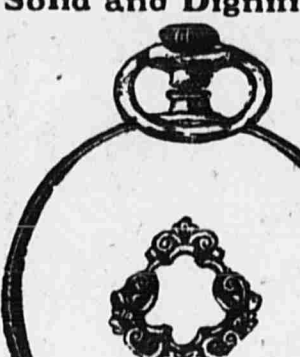
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